

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The United States will need 10,000 surgeons when the army is 1,000,000.

Prince Leopold is to be the German Scipio Africanus to carry the war into Africa.

Some of the newspapers are recognizing leap year traditions by mentioning the bride first in reporting marriages.

If the Earl of Dunmore is still alive, why is it that the British haven't done more? By-the-way, what has become of Baron Doolittle?

Elizabethtown is the first town to get tired of the roller-skate nuisance and prohibit roller-skating on the public sidewalks.

Having had everything else from a revolution to a landslide, Panama varied the excitement with three earthquake shocks Tuesday.

Everybody agrees that President Wilson will be renominated without opposition. From present indications his opposition after nomination will not be formidable.

A company from the French National Theater left for the front Tuesday to give a series of productions just back of the lines for the entertainment of men from the trenches. The programme is largely comic.

Prince Oscar, of Prussia, fifth son of Emperor William, has again been slightly wounded on the head and the upper part of the thigh by shell splinters, on the Eastern war theater. He was wounded in the early part of the war and in the hospital for several months.

The news comes from the national tailors that there is to be very little difference this year between women's coat suits and men's new-style coats, except that the men's colors are a little louder and there are some minor differences in the lower part of the costume.

The crest of the Mississippi river flood passed Memphis yesterday, the weather bureau announced, but the river will continue to rise slowly for several days at points below. The river is rising slowly from Memphis to New Orleans, but is falling at Cairo and points above.

Geraldine Farrar, the opera singer, and Lou Tellegen, an actor, were married in New York Tuesday at the home of the bride's parents. Miss Farrar had expressed her intention never to marry until she was 40. She is only 32 now, but Lou persuaded her to agree to a good time discount of 20 per cent.

England's new army service law provides for conscription, but only the single men are liable. This law has caused a great rush to get into matrimony, many young men preferring marriage to life in the trenches. And every such bridegroom is finding a girl who is willing to encourage him to escape fighting for his country. But girls will be girls.

EXPERT UPHOLSTERY.

Harry T. Penniman, who did such beautiful upholstery work here 15 months ago, will return next week with the same expert workmen and an equally beautiful line of tapestries, leathers, etc. Mr. Penniman will occupy the office room vacated by R. E. Cooper & Co., in the Cooper building on Main street. Will open for business about Feb. 15. In the meantime phone your address to phone 1082. Don't neglect this opportunity, as Mr. Penniman will be here only a few days.—Advertisement.

Liner Sunk.

The Japanese liner Daijin Maru was sunk Wednesday night in a collision with the steamship Linan, and 160 lives were lost off China. Twenty-one persons were saved. The Linan, badly damaged, is returning to Hong-kong.

STATE-WIDERS WIN A POINT OVER WETS

Prohibition Amendment Called From the House Committee.

LONG DEADLOCK IS BROKEN

"Wets" Are Accused of Blocking Advancement of Legislation.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 9.—The Hamilton bill, for the submission of a state-wide prohibition amendment, was called from the house committee on constitutional amendments and given its first reading at length and placed in the house calendar Tuesday. This action broke the deadlock for which nearly ten days has been blocking the advancement in the house of all legislation except platform measures. In the brief debate which preceded the advancement of the state-wide bill this morning, both factions accused each other of responsibility for the protracted delay.

The matter was brought up in the motion period this morning, when Representative Howard, of Woodford, moved that the sense of the house be taken as to whether the committee on constitutional amendments had had the Hamilton bill a reasonable length of time. Under the rules, the house by a majority vote can call any bill from committee after a reasonable time and consider it as though it had been reported without expression of opinion.

Representative Hobbs spoke against the motion, declaring that the "drys" were to blame for delays in the business of the house.

A roll call having been taken on the Howard motion, it was disclosed that the "drys" had carried the day by a vote of 50 to 44.

Senator Booles presented to the senate a joint resolution endorsing the present national administration and the doctrine of preparedness as laid down by President Woodrow Wilson.

WILL OF LATE ELBERT BARNES

All His Property Left to His Daughter, Mrs. Joe Fruit.

The will of the late Elbert M. Barnes was probated in County Court Tuesday. The instrument was written August 28, 1902.

To his wife he left his farm of 274 acres, during her life and at her death this property goes to his only child, Annie F. Barnes (now Mrs. Joe Fruit). There is a provision that should his daughter die without issue, the property is to be given to the Baptist Orphans' Home at Louisville, but by a codicil dated Feb. 24, 1914, this is made null and void. All personal property is left to his wife and his brother, William H. Barnes, as long as they live, and at their death this also goes to his daughter.

Mrs. Barnes and his brother, Wm. H. Barnes, have since died.

DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY.

The Christian County Chapter, U. D. C. will hold its regular meeting at the Carnegie Library Saturday at 2:30 p. m. All members are urged to attend, as there will be some important matters called up. One thing to be done, will be to organize a Girls' Auxiliary and all girls eligible are invited to be present.

Fatal Mine Explosion.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 9.—Seven workmen were killed and two injured by a gas explosion in a Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company mine at Plymouth late Tuesday. All the victims were of foreign birth and several of them left large families. The injured are expected to recover.

AT THE REX TO-DAY



SCENE IN "HELENE OF THE NORTH."

Marguerite Clark's latest screen characterization, "Helene of the North," presents this dainty star in the most unique impersonation she has yet assumed since her first triumphant association with the motion picture art. The subject combines in a decidedly novel manner the cultured atmosphere of aristocratic society circles with the rugged environment of the trackless wastes of Northwest-

ern Canada. Between these far extremes, the drama sways with uninterrupted fascination. Whether in the limitless wilds, or the warm, luxurious drawing room, Marguerite Clark is equally effective and appealing, and as the central character of this unique dramatic romance, she attains a greater success than any of her previous screen triumphs. At the Rex to-day.

MISS CARR'S RECITAL

Musical Treat in Store For Hopkinsville People Next Week.

Miss Joe Carr, pianist, of Boston and Memphis, who some years ago was a graduate of Bethel College, will give a recital at the College on Tuesday evening, Feb. 15.

Miss Carr is entering upon a very successful professional career. She was graduated last June in the pianoforte course of the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, where she had already been prominent as a performer at concerts and recitals. She was one of seven chosen from the senior class last May to compete for the Mason & Hamlin prize of a grand pianoforte offered annually to the most proficient pianist of the school. She had a place on the programme of the Conservatory's commencement concert in Jordan Hall, winning much commendation through her playing of Edward MacDowell's Pianoforte Concerto in D minor.

This season Miss Carr is back in Boston, continuing advanced studies at the New England Conservatory and giving occasional professional concerts. As one of a trio of young musicians she covered a series of very successful engagements last November in several of the smaller New England cities. With Miss Rose Leverone of Boston, a cousin of Miss Elvira Leverone, the well known grand opera singer, she gave a joint recital in Jordan Hall last Thursday evening and won very favorable comments through her performance of three selections from Chopin and single numbers from Rhene-Baton, H. Oswald, Cyril Scott and Johann Strauss. After her recital in Hopkinsville, Miss Carr will go to her home in Memphis where she may give a recital before returning to her work in Boston.

Our Neighbor's Taxes.

Clarksville, Tenn., Feb. 9.—From a compilation prepared by County Trustee Slaton, the following facts relative to the taxable property, its valuation and amount of taxes due from all sources is obtained: The number of acres of land in the county is 334,969; number of town lots is 3,007, valued at \$3,027,936; amount of taxes due the state, \$25,180.80; the county tax amounts to \$21,583.56; the school tax amounts to \$28,778.08. The city receives 29.39 per cent of the total school fund collected. The total amount of taxes collected is \$117,578.80.

PROGRESS WAS MADE TUESDAY

In Putting Through The President's Defense Program.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Congress made progress Tuesday on national preparedness measures.

The senate military committee closed its hearings on the army bills. The senate naval committee reported favorably a bill for a government armor plate factory, and recommended immediate passage of two emergency navy measures which passed the house Monday. On the house side of the capitol the naval committee virtually concluded the examination of Rear Admiral Blue, chief of navigation, while the military committee received the proposals of the American Red Cross for greater government aid in Red Cross preparedness plans.

During the day the military committees of both houses heard delegations of pacifists, who argued against any army or naval increases.

The most striking statement brought out at any of the hearings was that of Admiral Blue, who declared the American navy now was ready to meet any enemy it might be called upon to encounter in the Pacific. He declined to say what steps had been taken in the last year and a half toward preparing the navy against emergencies, holding these to be military secrets.

ROOK CLUB ENTERTAINED

With Picture Show Party Monday Afternoon--Elegant Refreshments Follow.

Mrs. H. B. Saunders entertained the Julien Rook Club with a picture show party at the Princess Monday afternoon. After the show refreshments were served at Elgin's. Mrs. Saunders' guests included Mesdames Howard Stowe, Dan Claggett, E. H. Reynolds, Allan Owen, C. H. Stowe, C. R. Bouldin, Joe Carter, W. J. Chiles, L. P. Penick, H. P. Sights, Dr. Trigg and Misses Bessie Grimes and Maud and Florence Cayce.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The stockholders of The Pennyroyal Fair will meet Monday at the H. B. M. A. in annual session to elect directors.

BIG FIGHTING REPORTED IN EAST GALICIA

Russians Take Austrian Posts Near Tarnopol, But Later Are Ejected.

ACTIONS ON BELGIAN FRONT

Optimism Over Outlook for Settlement of Lusitania Controversy.

President Wilson and his cabinet have studied Germany's latest proposal for a settlement of the American government's demands concerning the sinking of the Lusitania. While some alterations in the form of the agreement, which will require its reference to Berlin again, must be made, they are regarded as minor ones, and optimism prevails that in the near future the controversy will be settled amicably.

"Everything is substantially all right, but it is not finished," was the remark of Ambassador Bernstorff after a conference with Secretary of State Lansing on the situation.

The German ambassador has formally presented to the state department a communication from the Berlin foreign office claiming that the British steamer Appam, recently taken into Hampton Roads by a German prize crew, is entitled under the Prussian-American treaty to remain in American waters indefinitely. The American government has announced no decision in the matter.

Charged with having been connected with plots involving questions of American neutrality the German consul-general and vice-consul, and the Turkish consul-general, in San Francisco, have been indicted by a federal grand jury.

Artillery actions between the French and British and the Germans continue at various points on the Franco-Belgian front, but there have been no important changes in positions anywhere. Nor have the Germans yet begun the great offensive for which they are reported to be preparing.

Heavy fighting has broken out again in East Galicia. All along the front the artillery has been very active. The Russians succeeded north of Tarnopol after repeated attacks in penetrating the Austro-Hungarian advanced infantry posts, but were ejected from them later on, according to Vienna.

In the Austro-Italian theater have been only artillery duels. In the Balkans all is quiet.

Austrian warships in the Adriatic have ineffectually attempted to torpedo a British cruiser and a French torpedo boat which were aiding the Serbian army in its evacuation of the Adriatic coast. A Teuton submarine also attempted to sink two entente allied vessels off Durazzo, but the torpedoes missed their mark.

On advice of his physicians King George, who is convalescing from the injuries sustained by him in France, will not reopen parliament in person next week. The session will be opened by a royal commission.

MRS. STOWE ENTERTAINS.

Mrs. C. H. Stowe was hostess of the Julien Rook Club last Friday afternoon from 2 to 5. There seven tables of progressive Rook. After the games Mrs. Stowe served delightful refreshments.

Prisoners In Germany.

Germany claims to have 1,429,171 prisoners in Germany, not counting those in Austria. In addition 19,700 cannons, 7,700 military carriages and 3,000 machine guns have been conveyed to Germany, these not including numerous cannon and machine guns destroyed by the enemy before capture and those used at once by German troops. The number of rifles taken which are still fit for use is 1,300,000.

Chit Chat

BONE—Mark Bone, a farmer living near Haley's Mill, 69 years old, frequently walks to town, a distance of 20 miles, from choice. Sometimes he comes part of the way and stays all night with a friend on the road and finishes the trip next day. When the roads are good and the weather favorable he makes the journey in half a day and spends the night in town before returning home. It is needless to say he is vigorous and strong for a man of his age.

WOOLDRIDGE—It sometimes happens that the most distinguished men cannot enjoy their own names undisturbed and free from imitation. For instance we notice that Elizabethtown claims to have a citizen named Robert Wooldridge.

GAINES—At a session of the Trenton City Council Monday night, Col. L. W. Gaines, editor of the Todd County Progress, was elected Mayor for a term of two years. James A. Taylor was also elected Alderman to fill a vacancy, and J. W. Wakefield, Health Officer. A petition asking for a water works franchise was given a first reading. A new jail is under consideration; street improvements and a first-class system of sanitation. Mayor Gaines is a live wire and his Hopkinsville friends expect to hear from him in his new position.

LUSSE—Capt. Frank H. Lusse, of the Adjutant General's office, Frankfort, was here yesterday surveying the equipments of Company D. He is making his annual round as surveying officer of the various companies.

HOWELL HAPPENINGS

Oyster Supper and Spelling Match Friday--Music Recital Saturday Night.

Howell, Ky., February 8.—The oyster supper, given by the Howell High School on Friday evening, was what you would call a thoroughly enjoyable affair. The large crowd assembled early and oysters, prepared by the very best South Christian cooks, were served. After the oysters came a splendid program rendered by the High School students and assisted by Miss Elizabeth Fox and brother, of Hopkinsville. Our joke editor, Mr. Joseph Garnett, was at his best, and although he made some of us squirm a bit, the jokes were fine.

Prof. McGinley unearthed an old blue back speller, from somewhere, and then the real fun began. He pronounced each word plainly and we all did our level best, but in spite of all that, our spelling match was a tie. Although neither side can crow over the other, I am sure all can boast of a pleasant evening, lots of laughter and plenty of eats.

Miss Flossie Griffith's music class gave a recital at the home of Mrs. W. W. Radford on Saturday afternoon. An excellent program was rendered and delightful refreshments were served. Miss Griffith is quite an efficient teacher and has just cause to be pleased with her pupils' progress, for they certainly show careful training and reflect much credit on their teacher.

Miss R. E. Coleman is visiting Mrs. E. W. Wood, in Nashville.

Miss Mary Fox Clardy spent the week-end with her parents. She was accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Fox and brother.

Miss Alice Coleman, of Gracey, is the guest of Mrs. T. F. Clardy.

Prof. McGinley spent the week-end with Mr. Will Major, of Herndon.

Misses Lena Jones and Cora Williams were the guests of Mrs. Howard Brame for the week-end.

STRONG TEAM.

R. E. Cooper and C. R. Clark will speak at Pembroke Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.